14 January 1998

Re: NEPA Technical Inquiry 0074 - Architectural and Engineering Firms

Dear NEPA Call-In User:

In response to your April 17, 1997 request, NEPA Call-In is providing, Air Force Regulation (AFR) 88-31, "Selecting Architect-Engineer (A-E) Firms for Professional Services by Negotiated Contracts," 22 December 1997. You stated you would like a copy of this regulation for your reference as you have the need to hire these types of firms from time to time.

Because the above mentioned regulation is not the most current Air Force guidance, NEPA Call-In is enclosing Air Force Instruction 32-1023, "Design and Construction Standards and Execution of Facility Construction Projects," which superseded AFR 88-31.

The NEPA Call-In web page also includes "Sample SOW/RFP to Obtain Environmental Contractor, Section L, Technical Evaluation Standards" at http://www.gsa.gov/pbs/pt/call-in/petesow.htm, which may also be of assistance to you. We have enclosed a copy for your convenience.

Lastly, NEPA Call-In contacted the General Engineer, Office of Property Development, for GSA guidance. The General Engineer stated there is a GSA handbook titled "Architect - Engineer Selection Procedures," which is available from GSA's Property Development Division. In a follow up call to you, you stated did not need a copy of this document, as you would obtain one from the Property Development Division, Region 5.

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Sincerely,

(Original Signed)

NEPA Call-In Researcher